

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1429

By McMillan

A RESOLUTION To confirm the appointment of Mr. Donald J. Hall to the Tennessee Ethics Commission.

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Governmental Ethics Act of 2006, enacted by Chapter 1 of the Public Acts of the First Extraordinary Session of the 104th General Assembly, provides for the creation of the Tennessee Ethics Commission; and

WHEREAS, such act further provides that the Governor shall appoint two (2) members to that Commission; and

WHEREAS, Governor Phil Bredesen has appointed Mr. Donald J. Hall of Nashville, Tennessee, to serve as a member of the Democratic Party on the Tennessee Ethics Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hall is a longtime resident of Nashville and a professor of law at Vanderbilt University Law School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hall obtained a Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Florida and a Bachelor of Science from Florida State University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hall served the State of Tennessee as co-chair of the Tennessee Commission on Gender Fairness, served as a member of the Tennessee Sentencing Commission, and served as the reporter for the State of Tennessee's pattern instructions in criminal cases; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hall served as a member of the Governor's Commission on Juvenile Justice Reform and served on the Governor's Task Force on the Use of Enhancement Factors in Criminal Sentencing; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hall holds the Vanderbilt University Chair for Teaching Excellence, has authored numerous works concerning criminal law and procedure, including a leading criminal procedure textbook, and teaches a course on legislation; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Governmental Ethics Act of 2006 provides that all members appointed to the Tennessee Ethics Commission by the Governor shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate and House of Representatives; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby confirm the appointment of Mr. Donald J. Hall, of Nashville, Tennessee, to a two-year term on the Tennessee Ethics Commission, such term to expire on December 31, 2008.